



Monday, June 13, 2016  
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.  
Hooker Conference Room, Bloomington City Hall  
**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order and Introductions
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - a. May 9, 2016
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Communications from Commission Members
- V. Reports from Staff
  - a. New Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinator
  - b. 4<sup>th</sup> and Rogers update
  - c. ADA Detectable Warnings (Curb Ramps)
  - d. May 23<sup>rd</sup> Work Session
- VI. Old Business –
  - a. US 235 Bike Route – Resolution\*
- VII. New Business
  - a. County Project – Old SR 37
- VIII. Topic suggestions for future agendas
- IX. Upcoming Meetings/Events
- X. Adjourn

*\*Action requested*

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**MINUTES**

*\*Minutes are transcribed in a summarized outline manner. An audio recording of the meeting is available upon request.\**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS – 5:33 P.M.**

Members present: Paul Ash, Kay Bull, Mitch Rice, Jim Rosenbarger, and Mark Stosberg

Staff: Jim Williams, Jim Schroeder, and Scott Robinson – Planning & Transportation

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jim Rosenbarger motioned approval, Paul Ash seconded to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2016 meeting. *Motion passed.*

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Jim Williams spoke about the need to support neighborhoods with sidewalk requests and to reduce the speed and volume of traffic.**

**IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS – Jim Rosenbarger mentioned the Bloomington Bicycle Club's open house on May 16<sup>th</sup> and their bicycle/pedestrian bridge proposal over I69. He also mentioned he witnessed a right hook crash and the need for cyclists to ride in the center of the lane. Last, he spoke about the terrible decision for the County to build a large parking garage. County employees will now just get in their cars and drive home – this is not supporting downtown. Paul Ash agreed with the concerns of right hooks and did talk about how traffic calming and sidewalks do improve neighborhoods. Kay Bull is still concerned about traffic speeds and she would like the state to be much more selective in issuing drivers licenses. She also is concerned about all the debris in bike lanes and shoulders – especially after crashes where broken glass and other sharp material is very hazardous to bicyclists. There needs to be better coordination on clean-up and regular sweeping of bike lanes. Jaclyn Ray emailed a comment that was shared with the Commission regarding the BikeLife magazine project. She said that due to lack of raising enough funds we are looking at future issues and we will not participate in a fall issue.**

**V. REPORTS FROM STAFF**

- a. **MUTCD Experimentation Report –** Scott Robinson reviewed the history behind the City's experimentation request as well as the on-going evaluation reports that was included in the packet. There were no questions.
- b. **Bicycle Friendly Community Visit –** Scott Robinson said Stephan Clark will be here on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be a city tour from 3-5 p.m. and a reception from 5-7 p.m. He invited all Commission members to attend either activity. He also said staff is going to print more bike maps. Jim Rosenbarger will send minor edits to staff regarding the

County's routes. Several are listed as not suitable, but are indeed regular BBC routes and are very suitable for cyclists.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS - none**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **US Bike Route** – Jim Schroeder gave the background on the national US bike route system as well as Indiana's surprising support of several routes. The Bloomington Bicycle Club is supporting US BR 235 a spur off the US BR 35 that will connect Bloomington. He reviewed the specifics of the route selection and said he needs the City to support this request by August in order for the State to adopt the spur. It is a very low cost proposal and has received support from other agencies the route runs through. Commission members provided a few comments and asked several questions. There were concerns raised over possible improvements to the route that may not be in the best interest of cyclists. Widening roads is not always for the benefit of non-motorized users. This often leads to increased speeds. Keeping Old SR 37 the same as well as many other roads keeps the character and the route much more enjoyable for everyone. The Commission will consider supporting this request at a future meeting.
- b. **2016 Local Motion Grant – Call for Projects** – Scott Robinson reviewed last year's guidelines and asked if there were any revisions needed. The Commission directed staff to move forward with the program and did not see any reason to modify the current process or program.

**VIII. TOPIC SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – none.**

**IX. Upcoming Meetings/Events** – Scott Robinson said staff would like to schedule a work session for May 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss an upcoming development proposal and other items for discussion.

**X. Adjourn – 7:08 P.M.**